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SUBJ: PROTECTION OF AMERICAN LIVES AND PROPERTY IN TURKISH AREAS

RE: ANKARA 7287 AND NICOSIA 3014

1. DESPITE EMB ANKARA'S APPROACH TO TURKISH FONMIN, WE HAVE YET TO GAIN CONSULAR ACCESS TO AMERICAN CITIZENS LOCATED WITHIN TURKISH AREAS, WITH SINGLE EXCEPTION PEOPLE LOCATED IN KYRENIA ENVIRONS. WE HAVE PURSUED SUBJECT ON DAILY BASIS WITH MINDEF OREK, VP DENKTASH'S OFFICE, AND TURKISH EMB. ALL AGREE WE SHOULD BE GRANTED ACCESS SOONEST; ALL PIN BLAME ON MILITARY AND, SPECIFICALLY, ON FAMAGUSTA AREA COMMANDER.

2. TURKISH EMB HAS ATTEMPTED HAVE MILITARY BRING AMCITS TO NICOSIA, THUS FAR WITHOUT SUCCESS. WOULD APPRECIATE EMB ANKARA GOING BACK TO FONMIN TO EMPHASIZE THE URGENCY OF RESOLVING THIS PROBLEM. RELATIVES OF INDIVIDUALS LOCATED IN TURKISH AREAS ARE FRANTIC AND WE ARE BEING BOMBARDED WITH INQUIRIES.

3. ADDITIONALLY, TURKISH AUTHORITIES ARE CONTINUING REFUSE ALLOW AMERICANS OF CYPRIOT EXTRACTION RETURN TO THEIR HOMES TO COLLECT POSSESSIONS, NOR WILL THEY PERMIT US PERFORM THIS SERVICE.
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